

Review of the Neighborhood Conference
Mayor and Council Meeting No. 8-03
Wednesday, February 12, 2003
7 PM
Rockville Arts Place

The City of Rockville values its relationship with our neighborhood associations and believes strong neighborhoods improve quality of life. Accordingly, the Mayor and Council made a commitment to build on this partnership and designated Strengthened Neighborhoods as one of its strategic goals.

Similar to the highly successful conference in September 2002, the Mayor and Council had a dinner meeting with over 30 representatives (58%) of the City's neighborhood associations and other invited guests. The focus of the evening, as suggested by the neighborhood steering committee, was to discuss the City's vision and plan for Town Center redevelopment. In addition, other members of the Rockville community were present. This meeting was not televised, however excerpts were taped to be shown as part of an upcoming City Hall Report on *The Rockville Channel* —11.

The Neighborhood Steering Committee also briefed the group on its activities over the past several months.

Participants:

Mayor and Council

Neighborhood Association Representatives present (31):

Americana Centre — Laura Barretto
Burgundy Estates — Lesly and June Straus
Burgundy Knolls — Steve Fisher
Cambridge Heights — Ted and Anita Lieb

Chadsberry — Susanna Barber
Charles Walk - Keith Morton
College Gardens — Ted Reuther and Jill Furman
College Square — Bob and Jane Edwards
East Rockville — Mike Sweet and Phil Cantelon
Fallsmead — Ann Hoyle and Ed Geils

Fallswood — David and Verna L Heureux
Hungerford — Alan Blandamer
King Farm - Gerry Holtz
Lincoln Park — Fran Hawkins and Anita Summerour
Lynfield - Marge Collins and Ralph Veal
New Mark Commons — Eddie Alexander and Joe Jordan

Potomac Springs — Myron Bernstein
Potomac Woods — Carl Peterson
Redgate Farms — Jeff Frank
Regents Square — Pat Culpepper

Rockshire — Mike Menaker
Rose Hill — Susan Poon
Rose Hill Falls - Mary Ruth Haworth
Twinbrook — Randy Gentry
Victoria — Art Casanova and Martin Heilman
Village Green — Lev Lubega

West End - Bridget Newton and Mariam Hall
West Rockville - Randy Alton
Woodley Gardens — Martin Trusty
Woodmont Overlook — Clifford Lanham and Martha Noonan
Wootton Oaks — Cris Brown

Town Center Action Team — Dennis Cain, Jack Gelin, and Aileen Klein
Greater Rockville Partnership — Sally Sternbach

City Staff: C. Bartlett, A. Chambers, Jessica Chin, C. Funkhouser, D. Jenkins, C. Tuck Parrish, M. Pentz, G. Stuckey

Action Items:

It was suggested that the neighborhoods draft a joint letter to the Public Affairs Division or Giant Foods to arrange a meeting about Town Center. The community would like to urge Giant to allow the Magruder's Grocery store to occupy their vacated N. Washington Street property as a temporary location until the initial phase of the Town Center is completed.

The City will mail letters in the upcoming days to all associations offering the opportunity to have the Mayor and Council present the Town Center Plan to their community.

The next Neighborhood Conference is scheduled for September 2003.